

EXHIBIT [18] -
DHHS Workgroup
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Subject: FW: GAS Workgroup

Date: Mon, 14 Feb 2022 13:39:30 +0000

Importance: Normal

Attachments: unnamed

-----Original Appointment-----

From: Auletta, Jacques **On Behalf Of** Dowler, Shannon

Sent: Tuesday, January 11, 2022 11:55 AM

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When: Monday, February 14, 2022 5:15 PM-6:15 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

Where: Microsoft Teams Meeting

Please join this brain trust for a series of meetings to explore the role a Medicaid program can play in the management of Gender Dysphoria through Gender Affirming Surgery. Each session will have a specific focus and discussion topics will be included in the calendar invite for the meeting so you can ponder in advance (topics will include Commercial coverage, what other Medicaid states do, what defines elective, reversals, and more). At the end of this work group, the Medicaid team will take the learnings from your expert input and assimilate it into a plan for clinical coverage policy modifications as indicated. To maintain the focus and progress, I would prefer this group remain constant and make every attempt to attend all sessions. This will be interactive and a safe place to challenge assumptions and ask challenging questions. Thanks in advance for your willingness to partner in this conversation.

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Additional invitees TBD (pending responses to Dr. Dowler's email request).

Microsoft Teams meeting

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